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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORT TRADE CONTROL

New Delhi, the 6th July 1968

SUBJECT.—*Import of non-ferrous metals by small scale units in the priority sector.*

No. 132/ITC(PN)/68.—Under the current import policy, the units engaged in the priority industries are issued direct import licences for non-ferrous metals.

2. It has been represented that in cases where licences are issued on rupee payment area, the licensees are not in a position to import non-ferrous metals against such licences as, the import of non-ferrous metals from rupee payment area has been canalised through the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation.

3. In view of the above position, it has been decided that the licensing authorities will not include items of non-ferrous metals in the rupee licences issued to actual users. If the applicant avails of the facility of getting his rupee entitlement converted into free foreign exchange, as provided in the Ministry of Commerce Public Notice No. 89-ITC(PN)/68 dated the 25th May, 1968, the question

of his importing non-ferrous metals from rupee payment area will not arise. In other cases, the following procedure will be followed:—

- (i) The import entitlement of the applicant earmarked for rupee payment area will be reduced by the licensing authority to the extent desired by the applicant, and for this value, an import licence will be issued against U.S. Aid, provided it is not less than Rs. 41,250, including the value to which the applicant unit may otherwise be entitled against U.S. Aid. For values less than Rs. 41,250, which is the minimum value for which licences can be issued against U.S. Aid, the facility of bulking the imports through agents etc., as laid down in the Ministry of Commerce Public Notice No 89-ITC(PN)/68 dated 25th May, 1968, will also be provided.
- (ii) Alternatively, if the applicant so desires, a release order on the Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation will be issued for the value indicated by him, and to that extent, his rupee entitlement will be reduced. While approaching the licensing authorities, the applicants should give suitable indications to enable the licensing authorities to deal with their cases in terms of sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above.

4. The procedure indicated in this Public Notice will also, on request, be followed by the licensing authorities in respect of import licences already issued, including those for the period April, 1967—March, 1968.

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